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REMISSION OF INDEMNITY

Sir Cheng-tung to Manage Canton-Hankow Railway.

NEW DELIBERATIVE COUNCIL

Proposed Preliminary Parliament. Educating the People for the Exercise of Their Suffrages.

BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS. Written for The Star and the Chicago Record-

Herald. Private letters from China bring the nteresting news that Sir Liang Chengtung, recently minister at Washington, was received with unusual honors upon his arrival at Peking. He had several audiences with the empress dowager, who raised him to the first rank of diplomatists, bestowed upon him one of the most highly-prized decorations and gave him several valuable presents. This was a recognition of his services as minister to the United States, and particularly because he brought to his imperial mistress the news that the government of the United States would waive its claims to he balance of the indemnity granted to his country for damages suffered by American citizens in China during the Boxer troubles.

It will be remembered that after every claim was adjusted the sum of \$24,000,000 of the indemnity remained, which had not seen demanded by the United States, out was allotted by an international com nission at Peking. The amounts granted o the other nations were very much arger and were demanded by them, but from the beginning the President and the officials of the Department of State lave felt that we could not rightfully re-ain the full amount, and Secretary Hay nade the first overtures for its return to China. The matter was finally settled luring the last days of Sir Cheng-tung's owed to carry home the gratifying news.

Imperial Thanks to Be Sent. The empress dowager appreciates the justice and fairness of the United States so highly that she will appoint a special nission, with one of the imperial princes at its head, to convey an autograph leter of thanks to President Roosevelt and he customary gifts which orientals send with such messages. The prince who is to bring the message has not yet been selected, but he will be of high rank and will be attended by a splendid retinue. It is expected that he will sail for San

Francisco early in January.

It was expected that Sir Cheng-tung would become a member of the board of foreign affairs at Peking, but the ancient cliquette requiring officials to retire from court for a period of years after the leath of their parents will be applied to ilm. It will be remembered that he lost ils mother a little more than a year ago ind withdrew from all social functions uring the remainder of his stay in Washngton. He has, therefore, been assigned o the position of general manager of the allway now being constructed between lankow, the commercial metropolis of central China, and Canton, his native s the railroad that was commenced by in American syndicate under the late Senator Brice, and of which William Barengineer. A route was surveyed and wenty-seven miles of track were built, when the American syndicate stopped work and showed a shameful disregard for heir personal reputation and our nationa honor. The concession and the property have since been sold to the governments of the provinces through which the line runs, and construction work has been resumed by the Chinese. Although Cheng-tung is not a practical railroad man, he has a great deal of executive ability, and his knowledge of how things should be done will enable him to con duct the affairs of the corporation and direct the business end of the construction work with success. He will, there-fore, continue to reside in Canton instead of Peking, as he expected.

Council of Deliberation.

It is more than a coincidence t.at a few lays after the audiences of Sir Chengtive of China at the St. Louis exposition, and other officials to prepare a plan for the organization and regulation for the conduct of "a council of deliberation," to he called the Tzu-Chan-yuan. It is intended to serve as a sort of preliminary parliament for the enactment of laws until the people of the empire are qualified to elect their own representatives. You will remember that memorials from

tutional government three years ago were followed by the appointment of a commission to visit the United States and several of the European countries and report upon the forms of administration that would be best adapted to conditions in China. That commission came here to Washington. It visited all the principal capitals of Europe. It collected a vast quantity of valuable information and made its report to the empress recom-mending the adoption of a constitution and the election of a parliament to make the laws of the empire as soon as the people were educated up to a point which would permit them to exercise the fran-

hise intelligently.

This report was adopted by the imperial power, and the next step was an edict establishing a system of free schools throughout the empire to prepare the peo ple for suffrage. There are several me morials before the empress dowager urg-ing the adoption of compulsory education, but that proposition has been necessarily postponed for very good reasons. There are so few schools and so few teachers competent to instruct the youth that it is

Popular Education. There are said to be 5,000 Japanese

school teachers now in the employ of the Chinese government, and between 13,000 and 14,000 young men have been sent to Japan by the provincial authorities of China to be educated and trained for teachers and for official positions under the government. As fast as these young men are qualified to instruct, schools are organized for them and they are placed in charge. But it is necessarily a slow process to establish a system of modern education in an empire with the area and population of China. Until the people are educated up to a certain degree of intelligence it would not be advisable to endow them with the right of suffrage. It endow them with the right of suffrage. It is proposed to begin their political experi-ence to the towns and municipalities, and the first popular elections in China will be probably held some time during the next year for minor municipal and township officials.

In the meantime the Tzu-Chan-yuan, or "council of deliberation," will be intrusted with the duty of revising and codifying existing laws and enacting new ones to meet the changing conditions in that country. Hitherto the people of China have been governed by edicts from the throne, which have forbidden certain acts in the name of the emperor, or have acts in the name of the emperor, or have commended them to do certain things. Hereafter these edicts will be issued by the "council of deliberation," with the approval of the imperial power. The laws may be prepared voluntarily or by direction of the empress dowager. The council has the right of initiative, but the empress reserves the right of yeto. press reserves the right of veto.

The Proposed Council.

The personnel of the council has not been selected, but it will probably be pected that the first step in the direction of representative government will be to

and towns the privilege of selecting dele-gates to the council.

Sir Cheng-tung has been commanded to draw up a plan for arranging the severa provinces into political divisions similar to the states, counties, townships and municipalities of the United States. There has always been a certain degree of au-tonomy in the provinces of China. Most of them were formerly independent na-tions, and their boundary lines have been fixed for ages, but each has been gov-erned as a whole, and, as some of them have a population of thirty, forty and fifty millions, the necessity of political divisions will be recognized. Sir Chengtung gave this subject considerable study during the four years he was in Wash-ington and prepared a pre'iminary draft of a plan before he left this city, so that he may be able to perform his new dutles without delay.

It is also reported that a commission

will soon be appointed to prepare for the gradual adoption of the gold standard in

Intensified Farming in Orient. In reply to Mr. Harry R. Jewell of Monmouth, Ill., I will say that the farmers of Lloyd: the oriental countries, like China, Japan, India, Palestine and Asia Minor, where the population is very dense and where ages, are compelled to use a large quantity of fertilizer in order to secure sufficient plant nourishment to get a crop, and in almost all of these countries irriand in almost all of these countries irrigation is necessary to furnish sufficient moisture. What is called "intensified farming" is illustrated there in a very striking manner. The areas allowed to farmers are very limited. In India, which is the most densely populated of all the oriental countries, it is estimated that there is less than one-half an acre per capita of the population capable of cultivation, which means that the average.

Marked by the old and the new Cape Charles lighthouse, nearly 9 miles from Hog Island lighthouse and 18½ miles NE. by E. ½ E. from Cape Henry lighthouse.

About December 4 light vessel No. 49 will be replaced on the station and relief light vessel No. 7 withdrawn.

No change has been made in light vessel. cultivation, which means that the averag family has only two or three acres of land and they are compelled to live upon what it will produce. That is the reason for the terrible famines-for the destruction of

chinesy. They are not large enough to admit of a mower or a reaper or hardly a steam plow, and labor is so plentiful that a farm hand can be hired for a few cents a day. It is estimated that more than one hundred million persons in the empire of India are living on incomes of less than 10 cents a day and in China that is about the average wage of the working man.

Rise of Wages in Japan.

In Japan wages have gone up considerably because the farm population have been attracted to the factories and Japan has become a great manufacturing center. But, at the same time, the country population is still very dense and the cultivated area is necessarily limited because of the mountains, which are rugged and covered with timber. In Japan, China and India what an American farmer would consider a small dooryard would be regarded as a valuable farm and the soil would be cultivated up to the very doorstep. Indeed, it is difficult for the population to find room for the graves of their dead. In India cremation prevails, and it is an accepted theory that the practice of burning the bodies of the dead arose because there was no spare ground in which to bury them. The same is true in other countries. In Peru, the Incas brought the bodies of their dead from the fertile valleys to the lifeless desert on the coast and buried them in the sand be-

cause the soil was so scarce in the populated sections of the country.

In China the population is so dense and land so scarce that every inch of fertile soil is utilized. The farms are very small, and every inch of land is under cultive. and every inch of land is under cultiva-tion. The offal and garbage that is car-ried off in our sewers is saved with zealous care in all the oriental countries to fertilize the ground and carried from each house in buckets every morning. That is the reason why many Americans travel ing in oriental countries refuse to eat the vegetables.

In Egypt the soll is fertilized by the annual inundations of the Nile. That mighty river finds its source among the dense forests of the interior of Africa and is fed by numberless streams that come down from the mountains, each bearing a burden of silt and decaying vegetable matter which, during the annual overflow, is spread upon the cultivated fields to freshen and fertilize them so that no artificial fertilizer is necessary.

IN THE LABOR WORLD

CURTAILMENT IN WORKING DAYS AT COTTON MILLS.

GREENVILLE, N. H., November 30 .-Notices have been posted at the cotton mills of the Columbian Manufacturing Company, the principal industry of this town, that the mills here and at New Ipswich will be run four days a week for an indefinite time, beginning Monday next. The company announces that during this curtailment a reduction of onethird will be made in the rent of the company's tenements.

MARLBORO, Mass., November 30. The three local shoe factories of the Rice Apsley rupper works, which has been operated on half time since November 12, will resume work, beginning Monday next, at least five days a week. About 2,200 hands are employed in the three factories.

HUDSON, Mass., November 30.—The Apsley Rubber works, which has been shut down two weeks, will resume Monday on full time with all its 700 operatives.

Crowder Held for Forgery.

According to the testimony, John M. Crowder, colored, fifteen years old, of 421
L street northwest, who was given a preHER DAUGHTER AND GRANDDAUGHTER. liminary hearing before United States Commissioner A. S. Taylor yesterday afternoon, as stated in The Star, on the charge of forging a signature to a money order for \$10 obtained possession of a money order issued on the Proctor (Vt.) post office. The order was issued at the instance of Kate G. Powers and was drawn in favor of Christian W. Johnson of this city. of this city. The order was issued on Oc

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any drug store at only fifty cents a box, but if you have any doubts as to the merits of these wonderful calcium wafers, why send as your name and address and we will send you a free sample package, so you can give them a fair trial and convince yourself. Write teday. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 175 Stuart Bldg., Mar-shall, Mich. tober 14, the prisoner presenting it for payment four days later. He was held for the action of the grand jury.

Social Center at Colonial Beach.

A movement has been started to establish a place at Colonial Beach where oystermen and other vessel men who congregate at the Beach during the winter months may meet socially and enjoy to some extent the comforts of a home. It is proposed to fit up a room or two with tables and chairs, and to supply books, papers and magazines, so that the men may congregate Saturday evening, from 7 until 10:30 o'clock, and read and in other ways spend a pleasant evening. The movement was originated by the ladies of the Episcopal Church, and they are to be joined by the ladies of the other churches

Notice to Mariners.

The following notice to mariners regarding lightships in the fifth district has been issued from the office of Inspector

"Cape Charles light vessel, No 49, Virginia .- Moored in 39 feet of water, off Smith Island, northerly side of the enthe soil has been under cultivation for trance to Chesapeake bay, about 14 miles east-southeasterly from the shoalest part of Smith Island shoal, on a range line marked by the old and the new Cape

> light vessel No. 7 withdrawn. No change has been made in light vesel No. 43 as to the characteristics of her lights, fog signals or general appearance

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LUISKEY-WOODARD. On November 13, 1907, by Father Gavin, at Baltimore, Md., FLOR-ENCE WOODARD and JAMES F. LUISKEY, both of this city.

DIED.

BURKE. On November 29, 1907, Mrs. ELIZA-BETH BURKE. Funeral services Mondar, December 2, at resi-dence of Mrs. Clifford Smith, corner of 16th street and Brentwood road, at 2 o'clock p.m.2

CONROY. On November 30, 1907, at 6 p.m., from heart failure, EUGENE, eldest son of the late John Conroy, at his residence, 520 R street northwest.

Funeral from Immaculate Conception Church at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 3, where high mass will be said for the repose of his soul. (New York and Cincinnati papers please copy.)

ACKSON. Departed this life Friday morning, November 29, 1907, at the residence of her son-in-law, Joseph H. Childs, SIGGIE, be-loved wife of John C. Jackson. uneral from Jones' Chapel, Sunday, December 1, at 2 o'clock. Relatives and friends in-vited to attend.

MMELL. On Friday, November 29, 1907, near Asheville, N. C., ALICE NEALE, youngest daughter of Alice Neale and William Lam-bell Kimmell. neral services at St. Paul's Church, 23d street northwest, on Monday, December 2, at 11 o'clock a.m. Interment private.

LANGAN. On Saturday, November 30, 1907, at 1:30 p.m., MICHAEL JAMES, the beloved husband of Rosa Langan.
Funeral from his late residence, 711 13th street southeast, on Tuesday, December 3. Mass at St. Peter's Church at 9 a.m. Relatives and friends invited. (Cleveland and Mansfield, Ohio, papers please copy.)

ASTERSON. On Friday, November 29, 1907, Miss KATHERINE MASTERSON, daughter of the late Hugh and Alice Masterson. uneral Monday, December 2, from residence of her aunt, Mrs. Dr. A. B. Shekell, 1529 Wisconsin avenue, S:30 a.m. Mass at Trinity Catholic Church 9 a.m.

McDERMOTT. On November 29, 1907, in New York city, N. Y., of pleuro-pneumonia, JOHN ARTHUR McDERMOTT, husband of Ada Harris McDermott and only son of the late John McDermott.

Funeral from residence of his aunt, Mrs. James McDermott, 313 Missouri avenue northwest, on Monday, December 2, at 9 o'clock a.m., thence to St. Patrick's Church, where mass

at 1425 28th street northwest, Mrs. MARY
E. SCOTT, beloved mother of Mrs. Addle
Johnson, Walter Scott, Mrs. Daniel Creditt
and Mrs. Armstead T. Pride,
lotice of funeral hereafter. (Philadelphia and
Richmond papers please copy.)

SHUGRUE. Friday, November 29, 1907, at 11:45 p.m., at her residence, 2010 14th street northwest, MARY A. SHUGRUE, aged eight months, daughter of James B. and Virginia

WAHLING. On Saturday, November 30, 1907, at 717 A street southeast, ESSIE, beloved daughter of the late John and Katherine Wahling. Funeral from Church of the Holy Name Monday at 9:30 a.m. (St. Paul, Minn., papers please

ALKER. In Brooklyn, N. Y., at 1 o'clock p.m. November 30, 1907, Capt. THOMAS DICKSON WALKER, United States revenue

WESER. On Saturday, November 30, 1907, at 3:50 a.m., MARY E., widow of the late Edw. Weser, departed this life, in the eightieth year of her age. Superal from her late residence, 441 7th street southwest, Monday, December 2, 8:30 a.m., thence to St. Dominic's Church, where high mass will be said for the repose of her soul. Interment at St. Mary's cemetery. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

In Memoriam.

HAMMOND. In sad but loving remembrance of our dear mother and grandmother, ARIANA F. HAMMOND, who departed this life two years ago today, December 1, 1905. It seems so hard to live, dear mother, Without your presence here— That gentle, loving voice of yours Our aching hearts to cheer. But thou didst teach us by thy light,

NG. In loving but sad remembrance of our dear father, THOMAS A. KING, who died six years ago today, December 1, 1900. Six years ago this very day Our dear father was laid away. Out in the gravyard where he sleeps We know the Lord His soul doth keep.

BY HIS CHILDREN. NG. In loving remembrance of my defather, THOMAS A. KING, who died years ago today, December 1, 1901. Loved in life, remembered in death.

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